



## How to Propose a New Rotary Member.

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Please follow these steps to propose a new member.

- (1) The prospective member's name is submitted in writing using the Membership Proposal Form by an active member (Sponsor), through the club Secretary, to the Bradley Sunrise Rotary Board of Directors.
- (2) The Board will ensure the person is fully qualified and will approve or disapprove of the proposal within fourteen days.
- (3) If approved by the Board and upon completion of the Statement from Proposed Member Form, the prospective member's name is then published by the Club in its weekly newsletter. If no written objections stating reasons for denial of membership are received within seven days following the publication of the name, and upon payment of the current quarter prorated dues, the proposed member is now ready for induction as a new Rotarian. Induction will occur if the new member is available at the next meeting following the seven day review period.
- (4) If a written objection is filed, the board will vote to approve or disapprove the written objection within fourteen days.

The club Secretary sends a completed New Member Report form to Rotary International and enters their name in DACdb following the member's induction.

# Membership Proposal Form



## I Propose:

Name of Proposed Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Job Position / Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_ Grandchildren: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Requested Membership Type:**  Active Membership  Honorary Membership

Are you a former Rotarian?  Yes  No If Yes, list club(s), dates, offices held, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Proposed classification (if active): \_\_\_\_\_

Activities which would enhance consideration as a Rotarian / Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give permission to the club to publish my name and proposed classification to its membership.

Proposed Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposer's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Statement from Proposed Member

(after Club's Board has approved the Proposal)

I hereby certify I am qualified for membership by my current/former position and by having a place of business or residence within the club's territorial limits, adjoining territory, or the same city in which the club is located.

## I understand it will be my duty, if elected, to:

- exemplify the Objects of Rotary in all my daily contacts and activities,
- use The Four Way Test for my personal and professional relationships
- to abide by the constitutional documents of Rotary International and the club.

## Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## The Four-Way Test - Of the things we think, say or do,

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## I agree to pay the following quarterly charges:

- Member dues of \$82.50
- PolioPlus contribution of \$12.50 (encouraged but optional)
- Paul Harris Rotary Foundation contribution of \$25 (encouraged but optional)

I understand the fees noted are subject to change in accordance with the Bylaws of the Club.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Article 12 - Attendance

Section 1 – General Provisions. Each member is encouraged and expected to attend this club's regular meetings, engage in its service projects, and to participate in its other events and activities. A member must attend or make up at least 50 percent of club's regular meetings (member must attend at least one meeting a month), or engage in club projects, events and activities for each half of the Rotary year.

## Article 14 - Method of Electing Members

Section 1 – Proposal. Every Rotarian has the privilege and obligation of seeking qualified members. In this way, all club members can help our club achieve a full representation of the business and professional life of the community. Please follow these steps to propose a new member.

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- (3) If approved by the Board and upon completion of the Statement from Proposed Member Form (2) (see attached), the prospective member's name is then published by the Club in its weekly newsletter. If no written objections stating reasons for denial of membership are received within seven (7) days following the publication of the name, and upon payment of the current quarter prorated dues, the proposed member is now ready for induction as a new Rotarian. Induction will take place if the new member is available at the next meeting following the seven (7) day review period.
- (4) If a written objection is filed, the board will vote to approve or disapprove the written objection within fourteen (14) days.
- (5) The club Secretary sends a completed New Member Report form to Rotary International and enters their name in DACdb after the member has been inducted.

## Section 2 - Induction.

Following the induction, the president will assign a current member other than the sponsor to mentor and assist with the new member's assimilation to the club as well as assign the new member to a club project, committee or function.



# About Bradley Sunrise Rotary

## How do I become a member of Bradley Sunrise Rotary (BSR)?

BSR membership is by invitation only. You must be a person of integrity, have an active career vocation, or be retired from a career.

## What is the process of becoming a member?

A current member of BSR proposes your name and becomes your “sponsor” for membership. Your sponsor then completes an application and proposes your name to the BSR Board of Directors who reviews your application for acceptance.

Once your application has been approved, the BSR Board will propose your membership to club members. The name of the proposed member is published two consecutive weeks in the weekly newsletter, during which time any member has seven days to notify the board, in writing, of a specific objection. If there are none, the club Secretary will notify the sponsor to invite the proposed new members to the next meeting for induction. This usually takes about two to three weeks from board review to club review and approval. Plan to attend meetings during this process.

After the club approves your membership, you will be inducted in a brief ceremony. During the ceremony, you will be asked to share with the club a brief biography (usually no more than two minutes) about yourself and why you chose BSR. You may invite your immediate family or co-workers to attend your induction.

## What does it cost to join BSR?

You'll find BSR membership dues are lower than most Rotary clubs... currently \$82.50 per quarter. Members are also encouraged to contribute \$25 to the International Rotary Foundation and \$12.50 to Polio eradication efforts. These items will be included in your quarterly invoice, which will total \$120.



Bradley Sunrise Rotary is a 100% Paul Harris Club. A Paul Harris Fellowship is achieved with every \$1,000 donation to the Rotary Foundation. With an average of \$25 per quarter, a Rotarian becomes a Paul Harris Fellow in 10 years. Of course, this can happen much sooner

if you choose to contribute more or become a member of the Paul Harris Society.

## Where does my money go?

Quarterly dues are used to cover the Rotary International and District 6780 membership fees which make it important to keep your dues payments current. A small amount is retained in the local BSR account for budgeted club expenses. Your membership includes a subscription to The Rotarian magazine.

## Once I join BSR, must I attend all the meetings?

Members are encouraged and expected to attend the club's regular meetings, engage in its service projects and participate in other events and activities. A member must attend or make up at least 50 percent of club's regular meetings (member must attend at least one meeting a month), or engage in club projects, events and activities for each half of the Rotary year.

Attendance at our weekly 7:00 am Thursday morning meetings is required and rewarding. Meetings are held in the chapel behind Faith Memorial Church at 910 17th St NW in Cleveland. Complimentary coffee is available.

You must attend at least 50% of your local club meetings, either in-person or via Zoom. You can “make-up” missed meetings two weeks prior to an absence or within two weeks after an absence. It's easy to attend a “make-up” meeting in less than 35 minutes using online access to Rotary International. Make-up meetings can also be achieved by attending BSR social events and service projects, or attending any chartered Rotary Club meeting in cities around the globe.

## What goes on during meetings?

A typical meeting consists of the Pledge of Allegiance, an opening prayer, club business, and a fun “ice breaker” (and maybe



even a song)! This is followed by a featured speaker who presents information often associated with a local enterprise or unique civic project, a newsmaker, a charity, a local official, medical or science updates and other topics of interest. Meetings promptly adjourn at 8:00 a.m. with the reciting of the Four Way Test.

## What service projects does BSR participate in?

Our main fundraising project is called the Sunrise Sunset Gala. Revenue raised at this event is used to fund local and global agencies approved by the Sunrise Rotary Foundation Board and the club. All members are asked to participate in the Gala and join the fun of making a difference.

## Agencies supported include:

- Habitat of Humanity of Cleveland
- Bradley Sunrise Angel Flight
- Salvation Army
- International projects
- And many others.



## Bradley Sunrise Rotary

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Meeting 7:00 AM Thursday mornings in the Chapel at Faith Memorial Church: 910 17th St NW, Cleveland, TN P.O. Box 5899, Cleveland, TN 37320